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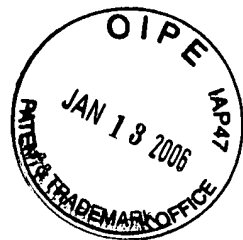
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PATENT
MAIL STOP AMENDMENT



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Patent Application of Thomas Maciag, <i>et al.</i>	: Group Art Unit: 1647 : : :
Appln. No:	10/650,650	: Examiner: Betty L. Lee : :
Filed:	August 28, 2003	: : :
For:	THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS BASED ON JAGGED/NOTCH PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS	: Attorney Docket No.: : 53689-5002DI2 : : :

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Response is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed on September 20, 2005, in connection with the above-captioned application. This Response is being timely filed in view of a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, and accompanying fee for \$510, being filed herewith.

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 17-19, 21-26, 29-31 and 42-44, drawn to an isolated soluble Jagged polypeptide. This election is made with traverse, and without prejudice to the inclusion of the subject matter of the non-elected claims in any later-filed divisional or continuation application(s).